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SUBJECT:REP. FRENZEL INVITED TO ADDRESS HUNGARIAN-US
ECONOMIC COUNCIL MEETING

1. ON AUGUST 4 DR. EDWARD WILSON OF US CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT THE US SECTION OF THE HUNGARIAN-AMERICAN ECONOMIC COUNCIL HAD EXTENDED AN INVITATION TO REP. BILL FRENZEL (R-MINN) TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL'S SEPTEMBER 12-13 MEETING IN BUDAPEST. THE HUNGARIAN SIDE HAD EARLIER PROPOSED THAT EACH SIDE PRESENT AN ADDRESS ON ITS COUNTRY'S ECONOMY AND FOREIGN TRADE PICTURE. WILSON ORIGINALLY APPROACHED REP. VANIK WHO HAD OTHER COMMITMENTS AND SUGGESTED FRENZEL.

2. REP. FRENZEL INFORMED GERTH THAT VANIK HAD URGED HIM TO ACCEPT THE INVITATION IN ORDER TO CONVEY TO THE HUNGARIANS THAT IF THEY SEEK MFN UNDER THE EXISTING TRADE ACT, THEY WILL ENCOUNTER NO PROBLEMS WITH THE WAIVER PROCESS IN THE HOUSE. FRENZEL STRESSED THAT HE WISHES THOROUGH BRIEFINGS

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FROM DEPARTMENT AFTER HE RETURNS FROM RECESS O/A AUGUST 29, SO THAT HIS EFFORTS IN BUDAPEST WILL REINFORCE OUR OWN.

3. WE NOTE THAT FRENZEL IS ON PUBLIC RECORD AS FAVORING BOTH MFN FOR HUNGARY AND RETURN OF THE CROWN. HE ALSO ATTENDED THE CONGRESSIONAL MEETING WITH DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SZEKER IN MAY 1976.

4. WILSON HAS SUGGESTED THAT AMBASSADOR KAISER WRITE
DIRECTLY TO FRENZEL WELCOMING HIS PLANNED VISIT. CHRISTOPHER

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